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son Benjamin, son Edward (to whom he gave 500 acres at High Hills, Surry,) certain lands to be sold. Gave father, brother and each of his sisters 10 shillings.

It is possible, however, that these Prince George Goodriches may have been of a different family from those in Isle of Wight.

REVOLUTIONARY ARMY ORDERS

For the Main Army Under Washington. 1777-1779.

(From Originals in the Collection in the Virginia Hist rical Society')

(CONTINUED)

B. O. March 27 1778

The Officers Commanding Regiments in the Brig'e will see that the intrenching Tools of every kind except axes are Immediately Collected and deposited under the care of their Quarter Guards until this afternoon, when they are to be delivered to a person sent by the Q. M. G. to take Care of them—the strictest search is to be made that none may be left—the Commanding Officers of Regiments, are requested to make a Return to the Brigadier of all Armourers & Smiths in their respective Regiments, who are to be imployed in makeing Bayonetts for their men for which they will Receive extraordinary Pay—If any part of the works in front of the Brigade is still unfinished which properly belongs to the Brigade, a fatigue party of 40 Men are to be turned out to morrow morning, in Order to Compleat the same.

The B. Q Master will apply to Gen'l Patterson for such intrenching tools as may be wanted.

Head Quarters March 27.

Brigadier tomorrow Maxwell. F. O. Col'o Bradford & Maj'r Tayler Brigade Maj'r Minis

The numerous inconveniances of a large train of baggage must be appearant to every Officer of the least observation in the Army, by means of it, the Army is Rendered unwieldy and incapable of acting with that ease and Celerity, which is essential either to its own Security & defence or to Vigour and enterprise in its offencive operations, the Solicitude which those who have a large Quantity at Stake will feal for it own Safety even in the most. . . . Circumstances, is some times attended with very alarming Circumstances, & Individuals frequently and unavoidable sustain no inconsiderable losses from the imprudence of incumbering themselves with superfluous Baggage, the Publick is burthen'd with a fruitless expence in an additional number of Waggons & Horses, and the Strength of the Army is diminished by the extraordinary number of Guards required for their protection, these disadvantages & many more that will suggest themselves on Reflection notwithstanding the pains taken to remedy them, have bin heretofore sevearly felt by this Army, many Instances will be recollected in the Course of the last Campaign, and among others the great loss attended the sending the superfluous Baggage during the more active part of it, to a distance from the Army. The Commander in Chief hopes this Consideration will influance Officers in the insuing Campaign to provide themselves with those necessaries only which cannot be dispenced with, and with the means of Carrying them in the most easy and Conveniant manner, in Order to which he strongly recommends the disuse of Chests and Boxes, and Portmanteaus or Valieses made of duck may be Substituted in stead of them, this will be the more Requisite as it is essential to imploy as fiew Waggons as possible and to make use of Pack Horses as far as may be practicable, it is expected the General and field Officers will set the example, and see that it is Strictly followed by those under their respective Commands. —— Officers at out Posts Receiving letters by flags, addressed to the Commander in Chief by General How,

whose name is allways indorsed on them, are desired to give Receipts for the same.

	C	
Detail for Guard	1 &	2
Fatigue		2
	1	4

Head Quarters March 28, 1778

Brigadier Gen'l tomorrow Wain. F. O. Col'o Harmond Maj'r Haws. Brigade Major Claybourn.

At a Board of Brigadiers & Officers Commanding Brigades the Price of Sundry Liquors was fixed as follows & now Ratified by the Commander in Chief Viz. West India Rum or Spirits 15s. Continental Rum 10s. Gin 9s. french Brandy 19s. & Cyder Royal 2s. p Quart and in larger or smaller Quantities at the same Rates.—— On monday next the Troop will beat at half after seven in the morning the Guards to be on the Grand parade at 8 oClock precisely in order to exercise previous to Guard mounting.

Maj'r Wallace[1] is appointed Brigade inspector in Gen'l Woodford's Brigade will Command & is to have two Adjutants in that Brigade to assist him.—— On Sunday at 10 OClock in the forenoon all the Brigades inspectors with the Officers & non Commissioned Officers who are to mount Guard on Monday will attend at head Quarters when the inspector General will instruct them in what is to be done the next day.—— Baron Staiben Lieutenant * * * [General?]....in the foreign Service & a Gentleman of great military experiance having obligenly under takein to exercise the office of inspector General in the Army. The Commander in Chief

[1] Gustavus B. Wallace, according to Heitman, was commissioned Major of the 15th Virginia, October 4th, 1777; lieutenant colonel March 20th, 1778; was taken prisoner at Charleston, S. C., May 12th, 1780; transferred to 2d Virginia February 12th, 1781, and served to close of the war. —See Hayden's *Virginia Genealogies.*

till the pleasure of Congress shall be known desires that he shall be respected & obeyed as such, he hopes & expects that all Officers of what ever rank will aford him every aid in their power in the execution of his office.—— L't Colo Davis Brook & Barber & Mr. Tarnant are appointed to act as sub-inspectors, the three former Gentlemen retaining their rank & Station in the line, the importance of establishing a uniform system usefull for manoeuvring such as be obvious, the deficiancy in our army must be equally so, the time that we shall propably have to introduce necessary reformation is short & without the most active exertion of all Officers of every Class it will be impossible to the advantage proposed which are of the greatest moment to the success of the ensuing Campaign, arguments shorely need not be multiplyed to kindle the Zeal of Officers in a matter of such essential Consequances to our own honour the advancement of the Service & the prosperity of our Arms.

R. O. March 29. As it is expected the Officers Commanding Companies has by this Compleated the Rolls of Cloathing of their difrent Companies, a due attention to the after B. Orders of the 26 Currant is expected, each Soldier must once a week produce all the Cloaths he is possessed of in presence of an Officer of the Company he belongs to, which must agree with the list in their Roll, under penalty of severe punishment.

B. O. March 29, 1778

As the price of the Cloathing drawn by the Gent'n Officers in the Virginia Line cannot be assertained at present, and as the Brigadiers are in some measure accountable to the State of Virginia for the Cloathing drawn, they wish to make a remitance in part, and therefore Request the Officers in each Regiment to pay into the hands of their Paymaster such a sum of money as they shall think adequate to the Cloathing each Received, the Paymasters are to keep an account and give Receipts for the money received, and then pay to Col'o

Palfrey Paymaster General who will give him a Receipt for the money paid by each Regiment, the Brigadiers at the same time will have the accounts regularly Stated, and give each Officer Credit for the same.

In Brigade Orders of the 27th a return was ordered to be made immediately of the Armourers & Smiths in the diferent Regiments, which order the Adjutant of the State Regiment only Complyed with, it is expected the Adjutants of the other Regiments will without loss of time give in their Returns and be more punctual in future.

Head Quarters March 29, 1778

Brigadier Gen'l to morrow Varmons F. O. L't Col'o. Harney & Maj'r Peters, Brigade Maj'r Ogden.

As the Stormy weather provented the Brigade inspectors &c. from meating this day agreeable to yesterdays Orders, the Sub & Brigade inspectors with the Officers and non Commissioned Officers who were to have assembled this day at 10 OClock will attend the first fair day at the same time & place.—— The following Officers are appointed Brigade inspectors and are to be obeyed and respected as such in their several respective Brigades, Col'o Tupper in General Pattersons Brigade, L't Col'o Sprout[2] in Glovers, Maj'r Wallace in

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[2] Lieutenant colonel Ebenezer Sprout, 4th Massachusetts.

[3] Samuel Jordan Cabell, major 14th Virginia, December 20th, 1777; lieutenant colonel 8th Virginia, December 15th, 1778; captured at Charleston while serving with the 7th Virginia, and a prisoner on parole to the close of the war.

[4] William Hull, major 8th Massachusetts; lieutenant colonel 3d Massachusetts, August 12th, 1779; brigadier general April 8th, 1812; cashiered April 25th, 1814; died November 20th, 1825.

[5] Nicholas Fish, major 2d New York, November 21st, 1776, and served to June 3d, 1783.

[6] Joseph Bloomfield, major 3d New Jersey, November 28th, 1776; resigned October 29th, 1778; brigadier general U. S. A., March 27th, 1812; honorably discharged June 15th, 1815.

[7] The name does not appear in Heitman.

[8] Probably Major John Huling, 3d Pennsylvania.

Woodford's, Maj'r Cabbell[3] Weedens, Maj'r Hull[4] Lenards, Maj Fish[5] Poors, Maj'r Blumefield[6] Maxwells, Maj'r Brian[7] First Pensylvania, Maj'r Hughlin[8] late Conways, Capt Smith Varnoms, Capt. Conveise Huntingtons, Capt English Mc Intoshes. Ditto McGowin.

	C		P
Weeks Command	1	&	1
G. Muhlenburgs Commissary Forage & Cloath'g	1		8
Guard	1		2
	3	--	11

G. O. March 30, 1778

Brigadier Gen'l tomorrow Poor. F. O. L't Col'o Buford[9] & Maj'r Porter. Brigade Maj'r McComack.

The General Court Martial whereof Col'o Ogden was Presidant is disolved, and another Ordered to set tomorrow at 10 OClock at the same place, whereof Col'o Vost[10] is appoint'd President, and is to try all Prisoners that shall be brought before them, each Brigade gives a Captain for the Court, a Sub Serjeant and two privates from Gen'l McIntoshes Brigade, furnished with three days Provision to attend at the Cloathers Store tomorrow A. M to Receive the Commissary of Prisoners directions as the operation of the insueing Campaign wether Offencive or defencive, renders it indispensible necessary that the spare Baggage of the Army should be at a distance from this Camp, and it may be inconveniant perhaps impracticable for the want of teams, to

[9] Abraham Buford, major 14th Virginia, November 13th, 1776; lieutenant colonel 5th Virginia, April 1st, 1777; colonel May 15th, 1778; transferred to 11th Virginia, September 14, 1779, transferred to 3d Virginia February 12th, 1781 and served to the close of the war. His command was surprised and cut to pieces by Tarleton in South Carolina. He died June 30th, 1833.

[10] Probably Joseph Vose, colonel 2d Massachusetts, who was promoted to brevet brigadier general September 30th, 1783.

remove it at the instant it may become absolutely requisite—the General desires the Officers will loose no time in disir-gageing themselves from every thing they can possible part with, on the means for removeing it they will consult the Quarter Master General, who may have empty Waggons returning from Camp.—— at a General Court Martial whereof Col'o Swift was President, March 23 L't Col'o Regnair tryed for disobediance of Orders & refuseing to do duty when required by his superior Officer in a State unbecoming an inferior Officer, Acquited of the Charge exhibited against him with honour, his Excellency the Commander in Chief approves the Sentance & Orders L't Col'o Regnair to be immediately discharged from his arrest.

	S	C	P
Detail for Guard	1	1 &	2
Fatigue			3

Head Quarters March 31, 1778

Brigadier tomorrow Muhlenburg.

F. O. L't. Col'o Regnair & Maj'r Campbell. Brig'e Maj'r Burein.—— German Town being the place appointed for the meeting of the Commissioners from the two Armies, a strict mutuality and suspension of hostilities are to observed in all the extent of that Village, and all Officers wether Continental or Malitia are expressly forbid to enter either with their Parties or singularly, or to do anything that may in any wise tend to violate the peace which is to subsist in the above mentioned place till further Orders.——by permission of the Honorable Congress, the Paymaster General has appointed Thomas Reid Esq'r. to be his assistant, he is to be Considered as such, & the bussiness of that department in the absence of the Paymaster General, to be transacted with him

After Orders Brigadier General Muhlenburg is appointed Brigadier of the day Vice Gen'l McIntosh.

	S	C	P
For Guard	1	--	3
Fatigue	1		2
Weeks Command			1
Gen'l Muhlenburgs		1	6
	2	1	12

G. O. Head Quarters April 1, 1778

Brigadier Gen'l tomorrow Patterson

F. O. L't Col'o Brearly & Maj'r Allison.

Brig'e Maj'r —— Bailey

Some Brigades were late in sending their men to the Parade this morning, the Gen'l is willing to attribute this to the difference in watches, & to the end that great punctuallity may be observed in future with respect to time, the Adjutant Gen'l is to regulate his watches by the Clock at Head Quarters, the Brigade Majors by his & the Adjutants by their Brig'e Majors.

The Guards at the Brigade is in future to Consist of a Captain & two Subs three Serjeants & thirty six Rank & file whereof one Sub one Serjeant & 16 Rank & file are to be posted on the other side, it is expected that this Guard will be very attentive to their duty and suffer no Soldier to pass without written leave from the Commanding Officer of the Regiment he belongs to.

	S	C	P
For Guard	1	1	2
Fatigue		1	2

Head Quarters Ap'l 2, 1778

Brigadier G'l tomorrow Maxwell. F. O. Col'o Baker & L't Colonel Hubley—Brig'e Maj'r Haskell.

A Soldier from each Brigade acquainted with driveing

Waggons to be paraded tomorrow at Guard mounting, and to be imployed in the Waggon Master Generals department till the waggoners who are inlisted for that purpose comes into Camp.

The Inspector of the 1st Pensylvania Brigade will command the Parade tomorrow. He will bring with him too Adjutants of his Brigade, & when the Parade is over, remit the Command for next day to the Brigade Inspector of the 2d Pensylvania Brigade and his too Adjutants, who are desired to attend the Parade tomorrow for that purpose. The same method to be observed in regular Rotation. The Inspector Gen'l purposes exercising the Officers of the 2d Pensy'a Brigade at 10 OClock tomorrow and at 11 those of Gen. Poors Brigade.

As the Stumps and Brush in front of the new line afords an excellant obstacle to the approaches of an Enemy tis expressly forbid that any of it should be burnt by any of the fatigue parties or any others for the distance of extreme muskett range in front of the lines, of which all Officers Commanding Regiments are to take particular notice. Their is a sufficiancy of Wood within the lines to furnish Stakes for the works.

Col'o Josiah Carrel Hall,[11] Tryed by a General Court Martial held at Willmington the 20th Ult. by Order of Brigadier Gen'l Smallwood, wherof Col'o Richerson was President, on the Charge of refusing to comply with a General Order issued on an imergency & calculated to aid the Service, which at that Juncture could not other wise be remided, and for Unofficerlike Behaviour in threatning to blow out the brains of any Officer who should head a Party to execute the same—was acquited in the following terms—The Court with respect to the first Charge exhibited against him, are of opinion that the order issued in that instante was not Military nor conveyed thro a Military Channel. That the General by conveying it thro the hands of the Quarter Master in the nature of an impressment not even addressed to Col'o Hall

[11] Josias Carvill Hall, colonel 4th Maryland; retired January 1st, 1781.

was an actual confession that he had not a right to expect or exact a Compliance with the Order, by Vertue of his superior Command, and with respect to the second charge, all tho the Court dus by no means approve of Col'o Halls intentions or threats of resisting by Force the Officer sent to execute the order, yet as they can easyly account for it from the keen and sensible feelings of a person in his Situation, and as a few moments cool reflection determined him to act otherwise, we acquit him of Unofficer like behaviour and are upon the whole of opinion that he is not guilty of the Charges exhibited him, and do therefore acquit him with honour. It is with much Concern that the Commander in Chief thinks himself obliged with propriety to disaprove the determination. He is Clearly of opinion that the Order issued thro Col'o Sherrif Devision Quarter Master was regular & obligatory—Regular because Gen'l Smallwood as Commanding Officer of a detached post must be supposed to be officially Vested with every power necessary for the..... of it, and consequantly that of impressing Horses on any immergency, and because the Devision Quarter-Master was the proper Channel thro wich it shou'd opperate agreeable to the practice of Armies, and to the true spirit and design of General Orders. Obligatory because it was the order of a superior and Commanding Officer and from the face of the evidance appears to have bin founded in the necessity of the Case, and calculated to promote the Service. Col'o Halls refuseall to Comply with the Orders was a blamable opposition to the Command of his superior Officer acting in a line of his duty, and the Violent threats thrown out against any person that shoud head a party to execute it, were highly indelicate and improper. Col'o Hall is released from his Arrest.

At a General Court Martial whereof Col'o Swift was President March 23rd 78. Maj'r Thomas Forest,[12] Tryed for

[12] Thomas Forrest of Pennsylvania, major 4th Continental Artillery, February 5th, 1777; lieutenant colonel December 2d, 1778; resigned October 7th, 1781.

sending Col'o Craim[13] Commanding Officer of Artillery an insolent and unwarrantable letter, it appeared to the Court that Maj'r Forest was President of a Court Martial when he wrote the letter he was arrested for and that it was done by order of the Court, thay are of opinion that he is not personally liable for writing the letter, at the same time are of opinion, having Considered the Circumstances that the letter is not insolent or unwarrantable. The Commander in Chief confirms the opinion & Orders Maj'r Forest to be discharged from his Arrest.

	S	C	P
Detail for Guard	1	--	3
Fatigue	1		1
Gen'l Muhlenburgs		1	6
	2.	1.	10

Head Quarters April 3, 1778.

Brigadier Gen'l tomorrow Wayne. F. O. L't Col'o Green & Maj'r Varnom. Brigade Major Seely, Inspectors from the 2nd Pensy'a Brigade

A serjiant and nine Men from Gen'l McIntoshes Brigade prepaired for a fortnights Command to be paraded in the Grand Parade to morrow morning at guard mounting. The works of the new line being very carelessly executed in many parts and the representation of the Engineer to the Officers Commanding fatigue parties haveing heither to bin of no avail. The General Calls upon the several Brigadiers to inspect the parts which have bin alloted to their several Brigades & order their defects to be remided which appears to be principally owing to the weakness of the Stakes and those of the exterior Face being placed too parpendicularly.

[13] John Crane of Massachusetts, colonel 3d Continental Artillety, January 1st, 1777; brigadier general September 30th, 1783.

At a General Court Martial whereof Col'o Ogden was Presidant March 24—78. William Morgan an Inhabitant of the State of Pensylvania, Tryed for comeing out of Philadelphia, Stealing a horse & attempting to carry him back to the Citty, found guilty of a Breach of a Resolution of Congress dated October the 8th, 77, and extended by another, and Sentonc'd to be keep'd at hard labour during the Contest with Great Britain not less than thirty Miles from the Enimies Camp and if he is caught makeing his escape to suffer Death—At a G. C. M. whereof Col'o Vost was President March 31, 1778 L't Anderson of the 11 Pens'a Regiment, Tryed for behaving in a manner unbecomeing the Character of an Officer and Gentleman, found Guilty of the Charges against him, being a breach of 21 Article 14 Section of the Articles of War, and Sentanced to be discharged from the Service. His Excellency the Commander in Chief approves the foregoing Sentances & Orders them to take place, a Sub from Gen'l Woodfords Brigade and another from Gen'l Scotts to attend at the Adj't Generals Office at three OClock this afternoon where thay will Receive their Orders.

	S	S	C	P
For Guard . . .	1.	1.	1.	2
Gen'l Muhlenburgs . . .			1.	6

To Be Continued.